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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Planning, Programming & Budgeting Staff, NPIC
SUBJECT : Comments on the PPBS Rewrite of the 5-Year RD&E Plan
(FY 73-77)

1. In the main, I have no serious objections to the contents of the rewrite; however, there are two major points I would like to make:

- a. In the cover memo, I feel the following statement (or a reasonable facsimile) should be inserted somewhere in the text: "The technological factors which appear to have the most significant potential impact on our operations and our RD&E needs in this time frame are color imagery, the EOI system, and Ultra-High Resolution Film (UHRF), but not necessarily in this order of priority. The UHRF developments could necessitate a major modification program for the Center PI equipment complement."
- b. I basically don't agree with the new format whereby you have replaced the subcategory breakdown with numbered objective statements. I believe this ruins the continuity we have established in the past series of briefings that we have held with various planning groups, and also the precedent that was established in the past 5-year plan.

2. [] and myself have some suggestions we would like to recommend in some of the narratives, but this can best be handled in an ensuing meeting.

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